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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
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20/07/2012: Operators Yuri, VE3DZ and Victor, VA2WDQ/VA2WA will be active as FP/VE3DZ and FP/VA2WA from the island of Miquelon (NA-032, DIFO FP-002, WLOTA 1417, WW Loc. GN17TC) between 20th and 31st July 2012. Plans are to be QRV on 160-6 metre CW, SSB and RTTY. Look for them to use the special callsign TO2U for the CQWW VHF (21-22 July) and the RSGB IOTA Contest (28-29 July). QSL cards will be available after the DXpedition via OQRS, by the Bureau or direct by using the PayPal system. Further information, including bandplan and much more can be found at: www.to2u.contestgroupduquebec.com/ [OPDX Bulletin]

20/07/2012: Rick, NE8Z, will be active once again as HC1MD from Cumbaya (CW and RTTY), HC1MD/HC1 from Mount Cayambe (CW), HC1MD/HC3 from Loja (CW) and HC1MD/HC5 from Cuenca (CW), Ecuador, from 20-31 July, 2012. QRV on 40 to 10 metres, and possibly 6 metres. QSL via K8LJG (John Kroll, 3528 Craig Drive, Flint, MI 48506 USA) or by the Bureau. [ARRL DX News]

20/07/2012: Operators Frank IZ7AUH, Fabrizio IZ7LDC, Antonio IK7WDS, Simone IZ0BTV, Aurelio IZ8EGM, Giuseppe IK7MOF, Luigi IZ7HYA and Alex IZ7FMM will be active as IJ7T from Isola San Pietro (EU-073, IIA TA-002, MIA MI-094), Puglia (Taranto) region. QRV between 20-23 July 2012 on all HF bands and modes. QSL via IK7WDS OQRS at ClubLog. Website: www.armi.ta.it/ [rsgbiota-org]

20/07/2012: Waldi SP7IDX and Mek SP7VC will be active as LA/SP7IDX and LA/SP7VC from Mageroya Island (EU-044, WLOTA 0160, WW Loc. KQ21VC) between 20-29 July, 2012. They plan to use 2 stations. One for the HF bands and the second for 50Mhz. Operation will be 80-6m using SSB, RTTY *also in IOTA Contest 2012.* During the travel to Mageroya Island there is the possibility of activity from Seskaro Island (EU-139, WW Loc. KP15VR) in the evening or at night 19 July and the next day 20 July in the morning as SM/SP7VC and SM/SP7IDX. QSL also OK via home call, the log will be uploaded in LoTW. [NG3K]

20/07/2012: Look for Peter ON8ZZ, Dominiek ON3JA and Frederik ON3NT to be active as MJ/OT9Z from La Moye, isle of Jersey (EU-013, WLOTA 0818), from 20-27 July, 2012. QRV on all HF bands, CW and SSB. QSL goes to OT9Z, via the UBA QSL Bureau. [rsgbiota]

20/07/2012: Toni, OH3T, will be active holiday style from Lovo island (EU-096), Lansi-Suomi province, Finland, from 20-27 July 2012. Plan: RTX Flex 1500, 250W amp. Ant. vertical beam array (dual vertical moxon). 1kW power generator + battery backup. Main activity around 20m IOTA QRG +/- QRM. More info will follow at his QRZ.com page before and during the trip. QSL via direct, Bureau and LoTW. [rsgbiota]

21/07/2012: Andy, N8OFS/p (SMIRK #6737), QRV 2012-07-21 1800z till 2012-07-22 2100z from EN91or for the CQ WW VHF Contest. "I will once again be Broadcasting Live and Direct from the Big Caboose at the beloved AC&J Railroad for the 6M Sprint... This will be my Fourth of Six trips to the Caboose for 2012... 50W from the Kenwood TS-60 to the 'DOMINATOR'(tm) at 28.5ft, parked and locked on 52.525 MHz FM..." QSL via home call, direct only or e-QSL. [N8OFS]

21/07/2012: Operators Bruno F5SKJ, Jean Marc F6FAI, Eric F4EJW, Didier F4ELJ, Yvon F0GWK and Didier F0GXK will be active as TM9LF from the lighthouse (DPFL PB-061, ARLHS FRA-045, TWLHD WLH F-049, WLOTA 2001) on Ile Noire [Black Island] (DIFM MA087, Not IOTA, WW Loc. IN88BQ), in the Bay of Morlaix, on 21st and 22nd July 2012. Ile Noire is in Department Finistere/29 and Province (region) of Brittany (DPF 06). QSL via F0GWK, Bureau only and eQSL. [425 DX News]

22/07/2012: Bodo, DF8DX, will be active as BW/DF8DX from the main island of Taiwan (AS-020, WLOTA 0022) from 22-25 July 2012. QRV on the HF bands, holiday style, mainly CW. QSL via home call, Bureau or direct. Log will be uploaded to LoTW. [rsgbiota-org]

22/07/2012: Look for Dave, N1EDU/p to be active from Bailey island (NA-137, USi ME022S), Cumberland county, Maine, from 22-28 July 2012. QRV holiday style on the HF bands. Dave may also activate several other islands in Casco Bay, Maine. Possibly Lighthouse, too. QSL via K1HRO. [rsgbiota]

22/07/2012: Operators Ludovic, HB9EOU and Andre, HB9CVC will be active as TO2D from St. Barthelemy Island (NA-146, DIFO FJ-001, WLOTA 0377, Grid Loc. FK87) between 22nd July and 4th August 2012. QRV on 40-6 metre SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are: SSB - 7058/7180, 14195/14269, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz; RTTY - 7035, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz; 6m - 50118 kHz. QSL via HB9EOU, direct or Bureau. Further info can be found at: st-barth.hb9eme.ch/ [OPDX Bulletin]

22/07/2012: Victor, UA1OEJ, will be active as UA1OEJ/p from Bolshoy Solovetskiy Island (EU-066, RRA RR-02-04, RDA AR-27), Arkhangelskaya oblast (AR, #113), on 22-31 July 2012. He will operate SSB and the digital modes. This activation is valid for Arctic Challenge. QSL via home call, direct or Bureau; log search at http://ra1ohx.ru/ [425 DX News]

22/07/2012: Jon, WB8YJF, will once again be active as WB8YJF/4 from Ocracoke Island (NA-067, USi NC001S, WLOTA 0466), Hyde County, North Carolina, between 22nd and 29th July 2012. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (28-29 July). Operations will be on 80-10 metre CW, RTTY, and SSB. QSL via his home call, direct (for a FAST reply) or by the Bureau. [OPDX Bulletin]

23/07/2012: Operators Dominik SQ7OXU, Sergey UA1ANA, Jack SP7DPJ and Constantin RD1AR will be active as ES0W from the island of Ruhnu (EU-178, WLOTA 4244, WW Loc. KO17OT), located in Saaremaa County, Estonia, Gulf of Riga in the Baltic Sea, from 23-30th July, 2012. This will include a Island DXpedition, Low Power, Mixed entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (28-29 July). They plan to use a TS-580 and IC-7000, with Hexbeam and Inverted Vee's. QSL via SP7DPJ, direct (US$2 or 1 IRC) or Bureau. [NG3K]

23/07/2012: Operators Antonio IZ8IQL, Giorgio IZ8FAV, Francesco IK8TEO, Carlo IZ0EGC, Giuseppe IZ0GZW and Gianni IW0BTN will be active as IB0F from the island of Ponza (EU-045, IIA LT-001, MIA MI-076, WLOTA 1395), Tyrrhenian Sea, from 23-31 July, 2012. They will also participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (28-29 July). Team CW: IK8TEO-IZ8FAV; Team SSB: IZ0EGC-IZ8IQL; Extra-Contest activity on 2-6mt: IZ0GZW-IW0BTN (WW Loc. JN60LV). QSL information TBA. Website: www.qrz.com/db/IB0F [rsgbiota]

23/07/2012: Dirk, PA7DN, will be active as homecall/p from Terschelling island (EU-038, WLOTA 0943) between 23 July and 1 August 2012, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. Outside the contest look for Dirk to be active on the HF bands, holiday style. QSL via his home call, Bureau or direct. [rsgbiota]

23/07/2012: Henry W5HNS, Jay K0BCN and Marty W5MRM expects to operate from Cay Caulker (NA-073), Belize, as V31WH, V31MX and V31MO, respectively, between 23-31

July, 2012. QRV on 40-10 metre CW and SSB. Look for them as V31MX during the RSGB IOTA Contest (28-29 July). QSL direct to home calls. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [DX-World]

24/07/2012: Operators Silvo S50X, Goran S52P, Vinko S53F, Dragan S55Z and Brane S56UGB will be active as 9A8ZRS from Sveti Ivan (EU-110, ACIA IC-54, IOCA CI-112, MIA MC-408, WW Loc. JN65TB) between 24-30 July 2012. This will include a Multi-Single entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. Outside the contest look for the team to be using 2 stations on HF, possible 6m/2m as well. QSL via S57L, Bureau or CBA. [NG3K]

24/07/2012: Members of the Beer Lovers International Radio Club, the Dnepropetrovsk Radio Club and Tavria Radio Club will be active from Kalanchakskiye Ostrova [Ostrova = Islands] (EU-179), Kherson Oblast (HE, WW Loc. KN66OB), Ukraine, between 24-30th July 2012. They are planning to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on the HF bands. Team members include Alexey UR5GDX, Ivan UR8GX, Nick UR3GO, Leo UT7CL and Roman UR3CJR. They will also be QRV in the RSGB IOTA Contest using the callsign UT7E/P. QSL info: UT7E/P via UT7EZZ, all others via their home calls. [DX-World]

24/07/2012: Vlado, UA0LCZ, will be active as RI0NZ from Popov Island (AS-066, RRA RR-16-02, RDA PK-05) from 24-30 July, 2012. QRV on the HF bands, CW and SSB. QSL via home call, Bureau or direct. [OPDX Bulletin]

25/07/2012: Operators BY2HIT, BH1MAD, BH1NYT, BG2BHC, BG2BMB, BG2BRO, BG2BYQ, BG2BYD, BG2CAC, BG2CCA, BG2CCG, BG2CCJ, BG2CCZ, BG2IWX, BG5CNH, BG7FBI, BH7LUR and BG8NPK will be active as BY2HIT/2 from Guanglu Dao [Dao = Island] (AS-158, WW Loc. PM19EE), Changhai County, Liaoning Province, China, from 25-31 July, 2012. Expect activity on all HF bands and modes. They will also participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (28-29 July). QSL direct to BY2HIT. [rsgbiota]

25/07/2012: Juri, ES5GP/8, will be active from Kihnu Island (EU-178, WLOTA 0775), P?rnu County, Estonia, from 25-30 July 2012, including the IOTA Contest, on all bands SSB only. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

25/07/2012: Klaus, OZ7KDJ and, Erik OZ9V plan to be active from Anholt island (EU-088, DIA NK-001, WLOTA 2816) as OZ8MW/p from 25-29 July 2012, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. QRV on the HF bands, near the IOTA QRGs. QSL via OZ8MW, direct or Bureau. [rsgbiota]

25/07/2012: Look for Lars, SM6CUK, to be active from Ven Island (EU-137, WLOTA 0780) as SA6G/7 from 25-30 July, 2012. This will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (28-29 July). QSL via home call, direct or Bureau. [rsgbiota]

25/07/2012: Laci, HA0NAR, will be active during his holidays as SW8LR from Thassos [aka Thasos] island (EU-174, GIOTA NAS-037, MIA MG-124 WLOTA 4186), East Macedonia and Thrace region, Greece, between 25-31 July 2012. Participation in the RSGB IOTA Contest is planned. QSL via HA0NAR. [NG3K]

25/07/2012: Jacky, F4EGH (SSB) and Leon, ON4ZD (CW) will be active as TM0BI from Fort Boyard Island (EU-032, DIFM AT-026), Department Charente-Maritime/17 and Province (region) Poitou-Charentes (DPF 19), on 25-26th July 2012. They will be QRV from 0700 UTC to 1600 UTC each day, as they are not allowed to stay overnight. This activity also counts for Fort Boyard (DFCF 17-003, WCA F-00517). QSL via ON4ZD, direct or Bureau. [425 DX News]

26/07/2012: Operators Mike AB5EB, Bill N2WB, George EA2TA, Christian EA3NT, Simon IZ7ATN, Col MM0NDX, Bjorn SM0MDG, Vicky SV2KBS, Steve VA3FM and Kevin VE3EN will be active as CY9M from Atlantic Cove, St. Paul Island (NA-094, CIsA

NS003, WLOTA 0166, Grid Loc. FN97), Victoria County, Nova Scotia, between 26 July and 1 August, 2012. They will be QRV on 160-2 metres, all modes, with special attention on 6m and 160m if propagation allows. QSL via M0URX. Website: www.cy9m.com/ [425 DX News]

26/07/2012: Look for Bodo, DF8DX, to be active from the island of Mindanao (OC-130, WLOTA 2803) as DU8/DF8DX between 26th July and 10th August 2012. This activity will also include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. If time permits, Bodo will activate other IOTAs in DU, after the contest. QSL direct or Bureau to DF8DX. Log will be uploaded to LoTW. [rsgbiota-org]

26/07/2012: Operators Vin IK7IMO, Piero IK7VJX and Roby IK7XIV will be active as IJ7A from Isola San Pietro (EU-073, IIA TA-002, MIA MI-094, WW Loc. JN80NK) from 26-29 July, 2012. This will include a Island/Multi-Operator/Mixed/High-Power entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (28-29 July). QRV on all HF bands and modes. QSL via IK7XIV, direct or Bureau. Website: ij7a.jimdo.com/ [DXAT]

26/07/2012: JA2MET will be active as JA2MET/1 from Mikura-jima [jima means island], North Izu Islands (IOTA AS-008, WW Loc. PM93TU), Philippine Sea, Miyake Subprefecture of Tokyo Metropolis, between 26 June and 1 July, 2012. He will be QRV on all HF bands and modes. Mikura-jima is also within the boundaries of the Fuji-Hakone-Izu National Park (WFF JAFF-009). QSL via home call, Bureau or direct. [DXAT]

26/07/2012: Look for Sergej, K0KOC, to be homecall/p between 26th and 30th July 2012 from Ocracoke Island (NA-067, USi NC001S, WLOTA 0466), Hyde county, North Carolina. He will be using a Elecraft KX3 10W QRP, most of the time by digital modes (JT65, PKS-31, RTTY), powered by sun 20W panels and LiFo battery only. QSL direct or Bureau to his home callsign. [rsgbiota]

26/07/2012: Jim, MM0BQI, will be active as MM0BQI/p from Tanera Mor (IOSA SC10, SCOTIA CN32), Summer Isles (EU-092) from 26-30 July 2012. This will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (28-29 July), using his contest callsign GM1J. QSL both calls via MM0BQI, direct, Bureau and LoTW. [rsgbiota]

26/07/2012: Look for Paul M0TZO, Mark M0MJH, G6NHU, Peter 2E0SQL, Louis 2U0FER, Jes MU0CHN to be active from the isle of Gurnsey (EU-114, WLOTA 0013) as MU0HTJ from 26-31 July, 2012. This will also include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (28-29 July). QRV on all HF bands and modes. QSL via 2E0SQL. Website: www.hamtests.net/ [rsgbiota]

26/07/2012: Members of the 'NA-128 Contest Group' will activate the special callsign VX2I from Ile Verte [Green Island] (IOTA NA-128, CIsA QC-015, ARLHS CAN-224, WFF VEFF-004, WLOTA 1404, Grid Loc. FN58), Quebec, from 26-29 July, 2012. This will include a Multi-Single entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via VE2CQ, direct or Bureau. Further info on their website at: www.qsl.net/na128cg/ [VE2EBK]

26/07/2012: Nathan, N4YDU, will be active as W4O from Ocracoke Island(NA-067, USi NC001S, WLOTA 0466), Hyde County, State of North Carolina, between 2300z 26th July and 1200z 29th July, 2012. He plans to be in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via N4YDU, direct only (QRZ.com). [OPDX Bulletin]

26/07/2012: Kirk, WE8A, will be active as WE8A/KH0 from the Saipan Rental Shack (WW Loc. QK25UF) on the island of Saipan (OC-086, USi NI002S, WLOTA 1333), Northern Mariana Islands, from 26th to 29th July 2012. He plans to be QRV from 80m through 6m, with focus on WARC SSB and CW. Operating frequencies on WARC

bands will be: CW: 10.106 MHz (+ up), 18.071 MHz (+ up), and 24.901 MHz (+ up). SSB: 18.136 MHz and 24.936 MHz. QSL Direct Only to JA QSL Address at QRZ.com (PSE do not send to the US address). Website: blog.zaq.ne.jp/kirc/category/5/ [NG3K]

27/07/2012: Members of Amateur Radio Taipei (A.R.T.) will be active as BO0M from 27-30th July 2012 from Matsu Island (AS-113, WW Loc. OL96XD). This will include a Multi-2/Island-Dxpedition entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. Operators include Tang BM2AAV, Ken BV1EL, Eddie BV2DD, Evan BV2KS, Lee BV2NT, Lee BX2AB, Calvin BX4AG, Al VR2SA and Bom XX9LT. QSL information: c/o A.R.T. QSL Service, P.O.Box 73-326, Taipei, Taiwan (see: http://art.ham.org.tw/en/qsl_en.aspx). You can also QSL via the Bureau, but they only return QSLs by the Bureau once a year. It is recommended to use the A.R.T. QSL Service at: http://art.ham.org.tw/en/GetCard.aspx [DX-World]

27/07/2012: Members of the Shanghai DX Club will join the IOTA contest as BY4DX/5 for the 3rd time from Shensi Island (AS-137), Zhejiang Province, China. Team members will be BG4GMA, BD4CQ, BD4FM, BD4DYH, ON6WFO, BH4ACQ, BG4HRM. They will be QRV from 27-29th July 2012. On 27th July the team members will use homecall/5. QSL BY4DX/5 via BD4HF, direct or Bureau. QSL others via their home calls. [DX-World]

27/07/2012: Peter, DC1HPS, will be active from Pellworm island (EU-042, GIA N-023, WFF DLFF-013, WLOTA 1188) as DC1HPS/p from 27-29 July 2012. Peter will focus on the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via home call, Bureau or direct. [rsgbiota]

27/07/2012: Mike, DG5LAC will be active as DG5LAC/p from Usedom Island (EU-129, GIA O-13, WLOTA 1640) on 27-29 July, 2012. He will be QRV on 80-10 metre SSB and will participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call. [425 DX News]

27/07/2012: Look for Friedrich, DL4BBH and Ric, DL2VFR to activate the special callsign DM50IOTA from Borkum Island (EU-047, GIA N-001, WLOTA 1022) from 27-29 July, 2012. This will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (28-29 July). QRV on all HF bands and modes, propagation permitting. QSL direct or Bureau to DM50IOTA. [rsgbiota]

27/07/2012: Operators EA1EN, EA1HVY, EA2RC, EA3VE, EA5CRC, EA5FX, EA5FHK, EA5HJO, EA5HPX, EA5IDH, A5KM, EA7HHV, EA7IQM, EB5ESV, EB5BXK, EB7ABJ, EC7AKV, EC7JA, EA5EEO will activate Isla de Tabarca (EU-093, DIE E-006, WLOTA 1779) usin g the callsign ED5RKB from 27-29 July 2012. This will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest using the callsign ED5K. QSL both callsigns via EA5RKB, direct or Bureau. Website: acracb.org/tabarca/ [rsgbiota]

27/07/2012: Peter OT9Z / ON8ZZ, Dominiek ON3JA and Frederik ON3NT will be active from Iles Chausey (EU-039, DIFM MA004, WLOTA 0424) as F/OT9Z from 27-29 July, 2012. This will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest, using the special callsign TM7T. QSL via OT9Z. [rsgbiota]

27/07/2012: Nobby, G0VJG, will be signing G0VJG/p from Saint Mary's Island, Isles of Scilly (EU-011, WLOTA 0408, WAB NZ37), from 27-30 July, 2012. He will also participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (28-29 July) as a Single-Op/High-Power/SSB entry. QSL via home call, direct only. [NG3K]

27/07/2012: Taka, JA8COE, plans to be active as homecall/8 from Yagishiri To [island] (AS-147, WFF JAFF-034 WLOTA 2512), Hokkaido Prefecture, Rumoi Subprefecture, Tomamae District, Japan. He will be QRV between 27th and 29th July 2012, including the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL direct or Bureau to JA8COE [rsgbiota-org]

27/07/2012: Joe, K5KUA, will once again be active as K5KUA/5 from Galveston Island (NA-143, USi TX001S, Galveston County), Texas, from 27-30 July, 2012. This will also include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (28-29 July). QRV on 80-10 metres, mainly SSB, with some CW if time permits. QSL via home call, direct, by the Bureau and LoTW. [rsgbiota]

27/07/2012: Graham, M6GCS, will be active as MM6GCS/p from the Isle of Mull (IOSA NH15, SCOTIA CN10, WLOTA 2485), Inner Hebrides (EU-008) before, during and after the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL direct to M6GCS QTHr. [rsgbiota]

27/07/2012: The Perdigueiros Radio Team will be active as PR5D from Ilha do Mel (SA-047, DIB PR-01, WLOTA 1435), Parana State, Brazil, from 27-29th July 2012, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. Operators will be Alexandre PY5BH, Vagner PY5DC, Fleck PY5DJ, Fernando PY5FO and Goncalves PY5IN. Note: Band and frequencies will be chosen depending on propagation conditions. QSL only direct to PY5DC (QRZ.com). Watch live video from PR5D on pt.justin.tv . Website: www.alcad.com.br/radio [rsgbiota]

27/07/2012: The TC Special Wireless Activity Team and the Giresun Radio Amateurs and Nature Sports Club will be active as TC0KLH from Kefken Adasi [Kefkenada] Lighthouse (built in 1879, ARLHS TUR-058, TWLHD WLH TA-011, WLOTA 0691, Admiralty E5830), Kefken island (AS-159, WW Loc. KN51DF), Kocaeli Province, on 27-29th July 2012, RSGB IOTA Contest included. QSL via TA1HZ, Bureau or direct. [425 DX News]

27/07/2012: Len, VE9MY and Linda, VE9GLF will be active as homecall/VE1 from Johns Island (NA-126 CIsA NS-127), Shelburne County, Nova Scotia between (approx) 27th and 30th July 2012. This will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. They will use both callsigns before, during and after the IOTA contest. QSL both callsigns via VE9MY, Bureau preferred. [NG3K]

27/07/2012: Anacapa Island (NA-144, USi CA002S), Ventura county, California, will be activated as W6UX/p with a team of 6 operators during the RSGB IOTA contest 28-29th July 2012. This will be a multi-op entry on both phone and CW. Since this is a battery only expedition, we will be running at 50W or less. QSL via W6UX, direct or Bureau. Log will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. Operators are Jeff W6UX, Rich AE6RS, Kenan KR6J, John KQ6ES, Steve K6SGH and Tim N6GP. Anacapa island also counts for Anacapa lighthouse (ARLHS USA-012, TWLHD WLH K-005, WLOTA 1300) and for the Channel Islands National Park (WFF KFF-014). Outside the contest (Friday only) they will be QRV as homecall/p on 40, 30, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via their home calls. [DX-World]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

28/07/2012: DM3X/p will be QRV as a Multi-Op entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest from Insel Goermitz [island] (EU-129, GIA O-015), Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany. QSL via the Bureau. [NG3K]

28/07/2012: Korea DX Club (KDXC) members will be active as DS0DX/2 from Kanghwa-do [Kanghwa Island] (AS-105), Kyonggi Do Province, off the northwestern coast of South Korea during the RSGB IOTA Contest. Plans are for a Mult-Op, Multi-Mode, High Power entry. Operators will be Lee HL1IWD, Kang DS2AGH, Harry WX8C and Jussi-Pekka OH6RX. QSL via HL1IWD, Bureau or direct. [NG3K]

28/07/2012: Operators Stewart GW0ETF, John GW3VVC, John MW0BER and others will be active from Holy Island (EU-124, WLOTA 3337) as GW4TTA, a Island Multi-Op entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. QRV on all HF bands using simple wires and verticals. QSL via the Bureau (preferred) and LoTW. [NG3K]

28/07/2012: Sal, IT9BXR, will be active in the RSGB IOTA Contest as IF9/IT9BXR from Isola di Favignana (EU-054, IIA TP-011, MIA MI-025, WLOTA 1545). Plans are for a Single-Op/Low-Power/24Hr/CW entry. QSL via home call, direct or Bureau. [NG3K]

28/07/2012: A group of operators will be active as OH10TA from Kustavi Island (EU-096, WLOTA 0971, WW Loc. KP00PN), Lansi-Suomi Province, Finland, during the RSGB IOTA Contest as a Multi-Op/Low-Power entry. They will also have equipment for 6m in case someone is interested for the IOTA on that band. QSL via OH1MN, direct or Bureau. [OH1MN]

28/07/2012: Gabi, OZ/DF9TM and Frank, OZ/DL2SWW will be active in the IOTA Contest from R?m? island (EU-125, DIA NS-001). OZ/DF9TM will be a Single-Op/12Hr/SSB/High-Power entry while OZ/DL2SWW will be a Single-Op/12Hr/CW/High-Power entry. QSL via their home calls, bureau preferred. [NG3K]

28/07/2012: Look for Berkin, TA3J, to be QRV as TA3J/0 from Yassica Island (AS-099, WW Loc. KM38KJ) for the IOTA Contest. Plans are for a Dxpedition/SSB/12Hr/Low-Power entry. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

28/07/2012: Look for operators John VE1CDD, Barry VE1TRI, Al VA1MM, Fraser VE1WO, Sheldon VE1GPY and Greg VY2MP to be active as VC1X from Little Tancook Island (NA-081, CIsA NS042), Mahone Bay, Lunenburg County, Nova Scotia, during the IOTA Contest (Multi-Op, Mixed, High Power). QSL via VE1CDD. [NG3K]

01/08/2012: Stefano, IV3LZQ, will be active as IE9/IV3LZQ from Ustica island (EU-051, IIA PA-001, MIA MI-116, WLOTA 0848) from 1-11 August 2012. QRV holiday style on 80-10 metre CW. QSL direct only to home call (QRZ.com). [rsgbiota]

04/08/2012: Bill, K9HZ, will once again be active as J68HZ from his villa at Labrelotte Bay, Castries, island of St. Lucia (NA-108, WLOTA 1336) from 4-19th August 2012. QRV on 40-6 metre CW, SSB, with hopefully special emphasis on RTTY. Equipment will be Elecraft K3 with 3 element beam for 20-60m and wires for 40-30m. QSL direct to his home call. [DX-World]

01/09/2012: Look for Moise, 5R8VE, to be active from Nosy Alanana Island [aka Ile aux Prunes] (AF-090, WLOTA 0888), Tanatave region, Madagascar, from 1-3 September 2012. QRV on 15 and 20 metres. QSL via F4EZG. [DX-World]

07/09/2012: Alessandro, IZ4WNA and Giuliano, IZ4WNP will be active as EA6/homecalls from Isla de Ibiza (EU-004, DIE E-023, MIA MB-003, WLOTA 0958) and other satellite islands from 7-10 September 2012. Plans are to be QRV as follows: 80m: SSB / 40m: SSB / 20m: PSK63 + SSB / 15m: PSK63 + SSB / 10m: PSK63 + SSB. QSL via IZ4WNA, Bureau preferred. Website: www.iz4wna.com/ [rsgbiota]

06/10/2012: Mike, DG5LAC and Petra, DB1LPS will be active from Vendsyssel-Thy [aka North Jutland] (EU-171, DIA NJ-001) as OZ/DG5LAC from 6-12 October 2012. QRV vacation style on 80-10m SSB. Antenna Tarheel M200 HP and Windom, 700W. QSL via DG5LAC, Bureau or direct. Log will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL after the activation. [rsgbiota]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

21/07/2012: The Pontefract & District Amateur Radio Society (FISTS #14041) introduce our hobby to the public with the clubstation GB1AVR at the Steam Rally in Ackworth from 21-22 July, 2012. They will be operating in the Watertower field between Pontefract and Ackworth (competing with fairground organs!). QSL via the RSGB Bureau or direct to Nigel, G0BPK (QRZ.com). [PDARC]

21/07/2012: GB4GBO will be on the air celebrating the London Olympic and Paralympic Games. Operated by the Sands Contest Group at various times between 21 July and 10 September 2012, the group hope to work many stations. QSL: UK SASE to G1LAT, World SAE + $2 or 1IRC eQSL, Bureau. [GB2RS]

21/07/2012: Subject to prior authorisation, individual amateur radio operators and Club stations in the United Kingdom may use special prefixes from 21 July to 9 September to celebrate the London 2012 Olympics and Paralympic Games. The second letter in the existing call sign (D, I, J, M, U, W, etc, plus E for Intermediate licences) may be replaced by the letter "O"; where no second letter exists, the letter "O" may be added. For instance, GD0XXX (Isle of Man), GI0XXX (Northern Ireland), GJ0XXX (Jersey), GM0XXX (Scotland), GU0XXX (Guernsey), GW0XXX (Wales) and G0XXX (England) may all be amended to GO0XXX. Furthermore, calls in the series GB2012 will be available for Special Event Stations relating to the Olympics; licences will also be issued for "flagship" stations using the prefix 2O12 (Two Oscar Twelve) + 1 letter relating to the location of the station (e.g. 2O12L for London and 2O12W for Wales). [425 DX News]

27/07/2012: 2O12L will be the callsign of the London ham radio station celebrating the Olympic Games and Paralympics. Based at Eltham Palace (WW Loc. JO01AK), which is in the Borough of Greenwich, England (EU-005, WLOTA 1841), one of the six 'host boroughs' for the Games, five stations will be active simultaneously, three on HF and two on VHF. Operation will cover the period of the Olympics and Paralympics, and the two weeks in between (27 July to 9 September, 2012). In total they plan to make at least 60,000 contacts during the seven week period. Visitors may view an exhibition about radio communications and electronics, and sit down at the radio and make contact with amateur radio operators right around the world. They are also offering 'bite-sized' talks giving an overview of radio and its importance in the modern world. All hams who visit the Olympics, from anywhere around the world, are encouraged to visit 2O12L. QSL via G4WNF, direct or Bureau. Please check website often, for updates as the project progresses at: www.2o12l.com/ [Southgate ARC]

27/07/2012: GB2VET, celebrating the Army, Navy and Air Force Reunion's 10th anniversary, will be operational from 27 to 29 July 2012 from East Park in the city of Hull. Plans are to operate all available bands using both World War 2 and modern gear. Modes will include D-Star on VHF and UHF. There will also be a display of vintage equipment as well. QSL via G0SWO, direct or Bureau. [GB2RS]

27/07/2012: 2O12W Official Olympic Amateur Radio Station for Wales - The call sign of the Welsh Flagship Amateur Radio Station celebrating the London Olympic and Paralympics Games. This very unique "special event radio station" will be based on the seafront esplanade at Whitmore Beach, Barry Island, Vale of Glamorgan, Wales (EU-005, WLOTA 0453, WW Loc. IO81IJ). Located just a few miles south west of Cardiff and the Millennium Stadium where the first Football match will be played to open the Games in Wales. QRV between 27 July and 9 September 2012 on all bands from 160m to 23cms and all modes including SSTV and satellite. QSL via GW0ANA. Further information can be found at: www.2o12w.com/ [Southgate ARC]

U.S.A. Special Events can be found at: www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

20/07-31/07 FP/VA2WA: Miquelon Island WLOTA:1417 QSL OQRS
20/07-31/07 FP/VE3DZ: Miquelon Island WLOTA:1417 QSL OQRS
20/07-29/07 LA/SP7IDX: Mageroya Island WLOTA:0160 QSL H/c (d/B)
20/07-29/07 LA/SP7VC: Mageroya Island WLOTA:0160 QSL H/c (d/B)
20/07-27/07 MJ/OT9Z: Jersey Island (main) WLOTA:0818 QSL H/c (d/B)

21/07-22/07 GB1AVR: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL RSGB Buro
21/07-10/09 GB4GBO: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL G1LAT (d/B)
21/07-22/07 TO2U: Miquelon Island WLOTA:1417 QSL OQRS
21/07-22/07 TM9LF: Ile Noire DPFL:PB-061 WLH:F-049 WLOL:FRA-045
WLOTA:2001 QSL F0GWK (B/eQSL)
22/07-25/07 BW/DF8DX: T'ai-Wan (main island) WLOTA:0022 QSL DF8DX (d/B)
22/07-04/08 TO2D: Saint Barthelemy WLOTA:0377 QSL HB9EOU (d/B)
22/07-29/07 WB8YJF/4: Ocracoke Island WLOTA:0466 QSL H/c (d/B)
23/07-30/07 ES0W: Ruhnu Island WLOTA:4244 QSL SP7DPJ (d/B)
23/07-31/07 IB0F: Isola di Ponza WLOTA:1395 QSL TBA
23/07-01/08 PA7DN/P: Terschelling Island WLOTA:0943 QSL H/c (d/B)
25/07-30/07 ES5GP/8: Kihnu Island WLOTA:0775 QSL H/c (d/B)
25/07-29/07 OZ8MW/P: Anholt Island WLOTA:2816 QSL H/c (d/B)
25/07-30/07 SA6G/7: Ven WLOTA:0780 QSL SM6CUK (d/B)
25/07-31/07 SW8LR: Nisos Thasos WLOTA:4186 QSL HA0NAR (d/B)
26/07-01/08 CY9M: St. Paul South WLOTA:0166 QSL M0URX (d/B)
26/07-10/08 DU8/DF8DX: Mindanao Island WLOTA:2803 QSL H/c (d/B/LoTW)
26/07-30/07 K0KOC/P: Ocracoke Island WLOTA:0466 QSL H/c (d/B)
26/07-31/07 MU0HTJ: Guernsey Island (main) WLOTA:0013 QSL 2E0SQL (d)
26/07-29/07 VX2I: Ile Verte WLOL:CAN-224 WLOTA:1404 QSL VE2CQ (d/B)
26/07-29/07 W4O: Ocracoke Island WLOTA:0466 QSL N4YDU (d/LoTW)
26/07-29/07 WE8A/KH0: Saipan Island WLOTA:1333 QSL WE8A (QRZ.com)
27/07-09/09 2O12L: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL G4WNF (d/B)
27/07-09/09 2O12W: Wales - Main Island WLOTA:0453 QSL GW0ANA (d/B)
27/07 AE6RS/P: Anacapa WLH:K-005 WLOL:USA-012 WLOTA:1300
QSL H/c (d/B)
27/07-29/07 DC1HPS/P: Pellworm WLOTA:1188 QSL H/c (d/B)
27/07-29/07 DG5LAC/P: Usedom Island WLOTA:1640 QSL H/c (d/B)
27/07-29/07 DM50IOTA: Borkum Island WLOTA:1022 QSL Direct/Buro
27/07-29/07 ED5RKB: Isla de Tabarca WLOTA:1779 QSL d/B
27/07-29/07 F/OT9Z: Chausey Island WLOTA:0424 QSL H/c (d/B)
27/07-30/07 G0VJG/P: Saint Mary's Island WLOTA:0408 QSL H/c (d)
27/07-29/07 GB2VET: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL G0SWO (d/B)
27/07-29/07 JA8COE/8: Yagishiri To WLOTA:2512 QSL H/c (d/B)
27/07 K6SGH/P: Anacapa WLH:K-005 WLOL:USA-012 WLOTA:1300
QSL H/c (d/B)
27/07 KQ6ES/P: Anacapa WLH:K-005 WLOL:USA-012 WLOTA:1300
QSL H/c (d/B)
27/07 KR6J/P: Anacapa WLH:K-005 WLOL:USA-012 WLOTA:1300
QSL H/c (d/B)
27/07-30/07 MM6GCS/P: Isle of Mull WLOTA:2485 QSL M6GCS (d)
27/07 N6GP/P: Anacapa WLH:K-005 WLOL:USA-012 WLOTA:1300
QSL H/c (d/B)
27/07-29/07 PR5D: Ilha do Mel WLOTA:1435 QSL PY5DC (d)
27/07-29/07 TC0KLH: Kefken Ada WLH:TA-011 WLOL:TUR-058 WLOTA:0691
QSL TA1HZ (d/B)
27/07-29/07 W6UX/P: Anacapa WLH:K-005 WLOL:USA-012 WLOTA:1300 QSL H/c (d/B)
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6 METRES & UP -

20/07-31/07 FP/VA2WA: Miquelon NA-032 Grid:GN17TC 50.104CW 50.115USB QSL OQRS
20/07-31/07 FP/VE3DZ: Miquelon NA-032 Grid:GN17TC 50.104CW 50.115USB QSL OQRS
20/07-29/07 LA/SP7IDX: Mageroya Island EU-044 Grid:KQ21VC 6m SSB QSL H/c (d/B)
20/07-29/07 LA/SP7VC: Mageroya Island EU-044 Grid:KQ21VC 6m SSB QSL H/c (d/B)
21/07 ARAM VHF-UHF Contest CW/SSB/2m-23cm/Open 16 1400z-2300z
21/07-22/07 EADX 6M Contest Unique/CW/SSB 21 1400z-22 1400z

21/07-22/07 CQ WW VHF Contest SO/MO/SOQRP/Rover 21 1800z-22 2100z
21/07-22/07 N8OFS/P: CQWW VHF Contest Grid:EN91OR 52.525FM QSL H/c (d)
21/07-22/07 TO2U: Miquelon Island NA-032 Grid:GN17TC CQWW VHF QSL OQRS
21/07-22/07 VP9/WA4PGM: Bermuda NA-005 Grid:FM72PI CQWW VHF QSL H/c (d/B)
17/07-24/07 VP2MSJ: Montserrat NA-103 Grid:FK86VS CQWW VHF QSL W5JAY (d)
22/07-04/08 TO2D: St. Barthelemy NA-146 Grid:FK87 50.118USB QSL HB9EOU (d/B)
23/07-31/07 IB0F: Ponza Island EU-045 Grid:JN60LV 6m/2m QSL TBA
24/07 LY 2.4G & Up Activity Contest CW/SSB/FM 24 1700z-2059z
24/07 NRAU Microwave Activity Contest SO/MO/Open 12 1700z-2100z
24/07 RSGB 50MHz UKAC SO Fixed/Open 24 1900z-2130z
24/07 The 50MHz Open Cumulative SO/MO/LP/MP/HP 24 1900z-2130z
24/07-30/07 9A8ZRS: Sveti Ivan EU-110 Grid:JN65TB 6/2m QSL S57L (d/B)
25/07 SKCC Straight Key Sprint 6m class 25 0000z-0200z
26/07-01/08 CY9M: St. Paul Island NA-094 Grid:FN97 6m/2m QSL M0URX (d/B)
26/07-29/07 WE8A/KH0: Saipan OC-086 Grid:QK25UF 6m 4el 1kW QSL WE8A (QRZ.com)
27/07-09/09 2O12L: London Olympic Games - 2 stations on VHF QSL G4WNF (d/B)
27/07-09/09 2O12W: Wales - London Olympic Games 6m-23cm/Sat QSL GW0ANA (d/B)

Contest Calendar: www.qsl.net/va3rj/con_jul.html

GOT6??? - Six Meter Information by Andy 'NEON' Sargent N8OFS at:
http://noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt (Updated: 17 July 2012)

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SMIRK: www.smirk.org/
SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/
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QSLs via Bureau: None to report! :o(

QSLs via Direct: 3C6A (EA5BYP), 4Z5MU (QRZ.com), 9M2AX (QRZ.com), D44BS (QRZ.com), E51M (DJ8NK), FK8CE (LZ1JZ), FK8DD (LZ1JZ), FP/NM7N (VE7YL), GW?VSW (QRZ.com), GW4UDG/P (G4UDG), KH2Y/KP1 (OE1ZKC), LY2PX (QRZ.com), LZ1JZ (QRZ.com), OH6MM (QRZ.com), SU9VB (OQRS), SV2ASP/A (QRZ.com), TO3X (OQRS), TX1B (LZ1JZ), V31IZ (QRZ.com) and VR2XMT (QRZ.com).

QSLs via LoTW: 4Z5MU, 9M?L, AK4AT, DJ9UN, DL?CS, ED1WW, FR/F6KDF/T, G3OFA, N4NX, PP5EG, PS2T, RI1ANF, S5?U, TX1B, UA3DPM, UX1VT, UY2UQ and V47JA.
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LINKS -
IOTA (Islands On The Air) at: www.rsgbiota.org/
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UPDATE: Due to continuing problems with our web platform, we decided to migrate to a new system. Our new web address is WWW.D64K.NET The old .com website will no longer be updated, and every post will be published only on the new url. For real-time news, our twitter account remains unchanged: @d64k. If you need to contact us, our email support is: support at d64k.net We apologize in advance for any confusion will be created, and we thank you for understanding.

NH8S - Swains Island
Press Release #2

Craig, K9CT, and Joe, W8GEX, are happy to report that preparations for the NH8S Swains Island DXpedition are on schedule. The 20 man international team should be on the island from September 4, thru September 17. Swains is # 31 most wanted worldwide. They will operate all bands with SSB, CW and RTTY.
A big thank you goes to John, N7CQQ, and Paul, W8AEF, for their time in building and testing the SVDA?s that will be used. Thanks also to Paul, W6XA, and Tom, N4XP, for testing the radios, amps and laptops. All of the equipment has been shipped to Arnie, N6HC, in California for the upcoming departure via cargo ship later this week. The QSLing will be handled by Joe, AA4NN, with help from his XYL Margarett. Plans are to upload logs daily by satellite phone from the island to ClubLog.
We are very grateful to our equipment sponsors, including: ICOM, Elecraft, Vibroplex, Innovantennas, DX Engineering, Heil Sound, Primus, Hi-Z Antennas, and The RF Connection. Also to Kimo, KH7U, for the 160m vertical, and George, W8UVZ, for the Battle Creek Special.
We have updated our website with pictures, operating information and links. Thanks to John, K6MM, for doing the webmaster duties.
There will be a great emphasis placed in working Europe where Swains is most needed. We will have several receiving antennas aimed that direction.
It will be very hot and humid, and mosquitoes should be plentiful, so please have patience with the operators. We ask that you listen to the operator instructions to ensure we are able to work as many stations as possible.
This tent and generator operation is a very expensive endeavor, and the group is most grateful for the foundations, clubs and individuals who have already contributed. For those that would like to donate, you may do so from our website: www.nh8s.org/
The skilled international crew that is looking forward to working you includes: 9V1FJ, AA4NN, DJ2VO, DL3DXX, K5AB, K9CS, K9CT, K9NW, KB8OCP, N2TU, N4HH, N6HC, NA6M, ND2T, SM5AQD, W4BUW, W6KK, W8GEX, W8TN and WB9Z.
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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ
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